The Primary School Fund.

On the basis of 84 cents per capita for children of "school age," the following is the semi-annual apportionment of primary money to the several townships

of this county: 430 92 637 56 567 00 365 40 374 64 465 36 371 28 234 36 570 36 254 52 254 52 275 52 743 40 245 28

School Items.

George Kidwell is now in school again. Mr. Powers of Detroit gave the school a call last Thursday. The high school lyceum will have its first meeting on Friday afternoon of the first week in January.

Miss Smith's pupils have just com-pleted in science work—"Rock Studies" and will now take up elementary physics.

Unless Michigan can secure proper space, she does not propose to make an educational exhibit at all at the World's Fair.

Average attendance for the school during November 97.5 per cent; for same period last year, 97.3 per cent—

a good showing. State teachers' association to be held at Lausing, beginning on Wednesday, Dec. 28th, and closing Friday Dec. 30th. Science work, language work and topics of interest to all teachers will be discussed. Let us have a good showing from Paw Paw. Reduced rates on all railroads.

Business Brevities.

For the Christmas time, buy mufflers, handkerchiefs, plush caps, muffs, hosiery, etc., at Sellick's.

In his adv. this week Shaefer tells you how to get a dozen cabinet photos free. Read it.

No more useful present could be given than a dress pattern or pair of fine shoes. Either of these can be had at the Chicago store at actual cost.

Chappell's stock for the holiday trade
is complete—solid silver and plated

ware, clocks, watches, jewelry, books, etc., etc., in endless profusion. See his adv. elsewhere. At the Wolverine Pharmacy they

have been slaughtering prices on plush goods, stationery, smokers' supplies, etc., and have a magnificent stock to select from. See adv.

New Suits.

M. G. Day vs. Milwaukee Mechanics Insurance Co.; assauipsit.
A. R. Peck vs. Freese & Rohde; appeal from jus-

W. J. Sellick vs. John Gillespie; assumpsit.
Jennie M. Fuller vs. Thos. Jackson; assumpsit.
G. M. Miller et al vs. John Ihling; appeal from People vs. John Inders; assault and battery.

Marriage Licenses.

1429-Alvin Delong, 20, and Alice Mizler, 16, both of Columbia.

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1430—J. J. Solomon, 22, and Blanche L. Waite, 21, both of Almena.

1431—Frank Forester, 23, and Minnie Powers, 17. both of Bloomingdale.

1432—Albert Guenther, 24, of St. Joseph, and Delita Horton, 27, of Bangor.

1433—Milton Cenklin, 28, of Hartford, and Mary Washburne, 24, of Lawrence.

1434—R. A Farrand, 22, and Winnie Malbone, 22 both of South Haven.

1435—Theodore A. Farrand, 20, and Florence E. Fuller, 18, both of South Haven.

1436—Albert B. Shively, 22, of Laurel, Neb., and Dora H. Loveland, 21, of Paw Paw.

Probate Court Proceedings.

Following are the proceedings in Judge Heckert's court for the week ending Tuesday, Dec. 13:

Estate of Cora Webb et al., minors; letters of guardianship granted to Laura Webb.

Estate of Cornelia Simmons, decased; petition for appointment of administrator, hearing Jan. 9th Estate of Juliana Pultney, deceased; petition for appointment of administrator, hearing Jan 9th

next.

Estate of John Dunnington, deceased; final account allowed.

Estate of Alvah Smith, deceased; final account allowed and executrix discharged.

Estate of John W. Stuyversant, deceased; hearing on claims adjourned to Dec. 14th.

Estate of Saimon F. Kingsley, deceased; order allowing claims.

Estate of Julia B. Nelson, deceased; estate closed to creditors.

Estate of Millie Hinckley, minor; licerse to

Estate of George F. Harrington, deceased; final account filed hearing Jan. 9th next.

Estate of Caroline M. Barr, deceased; final account filed, hearing Jan. 9th next.

Shortly after 6 o'clock on the evening of the 7th inst. some railroad men heard a shot and a woman's scram proceeding from the home of Mary Comley, a maiden of 55 years who lives alone in a large house about twenty rods south of the depot at Niles. The men hastened to the spot and found the woman's dead body in the cellarway, where she had been carried from the kitchen, the condition of her dress indi-cating that she had been dragged across the floor. After having shot her the assailant cut her windpipe and pounded her terribly, most likely with the butt end of the revolver. The spot on which the body rested was covered with pools of blood. The scene was an awful one. The murder is thought to have been prompted by revenge and that George Taylor is the murderer. On Dec. 1 he was released from prison at Jackson, where he had been committed two years ago for robbing Miss Comley. It was her testimony that convicted him and he had sworn to be avenged when he was again at liberty.

George K. Shaw of White Pigeon has voted for Grover Cleveland five times: when he was elected mayor of Buffalo, when he was elected governor of New York, and three times for president; and the Constantine Advertiser thinks he would make a good postmaster for White Pigeon.



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\$2.00 Fine Dong. SHOES. Actual cost \$1.20.	LADIES' \$2.50 Fine Dong. SHOES. Actual cost \$1.45.	CHILDREN'S Red School House SHOES. 8 to 10½—Reg. Price \$1.50. Actual cost \$1.00	INFANTS' SHOES. 25 ct. Shoes, 20c. 50 ct. Shoes, 40c. 65 ct. Shoes, 50c. \$1.00 Shoes, 75c. \$1.25 Shoes, \$1.00.
CASHMERES. 36 in width. Reg. price 25 cts. Actual cost 19 cts.	CASHMERES. 40 inch. Reg. price 40 cts. Actual cost 29 cts.	CASHMERES. All wool. Reg. price 50 cts. Actual cost 40 cts.	HENRIETTAS. 42 inch. Reg. price \$1.00. Actual cost 65 cts.
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